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SUBJECT: BELIZE

REFERENCE: STATE 238755

1. UK EMBASSY OFFICER WALKER CALLED ARA/CEN AFTERNOON OF OCT 9 TO INFORM USG THAT BRITISH HAVE DECIDED TO SEND TO BELIZE THREE UNARMED PUMA TROOP CARRYING HELICOPTERS AND 8 RUBBER ASSAULT BOATS, QUOTE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE UNQUOTE. WALKER GUESSED THAT WOULD BE WITHIN THE NEXT FOUR OR FIVE DAYS. THE BRITISH DO NOT INTEND TO MAKE ANY ANNOUNCEMENT OF THIS. IF THE STORY BREAKS, THEY WILL CHARACTERIZE THIS MOVE AS QUOTE SUPPLEMENTAL EQUIPMENT FOR JUNGLE TRAINING UNQUOTE.

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2. WALKER SAID HE HAD PASSED TO LONDON OUR COMMENTS ON REINFORCEMENT (REFTEL) BUT HMG HAD DECIDED TO GO AHEAD WITH THE EQUIPMENT. WHEN ASKED, HE ADDED THAT SOME OF THE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL NEEDED TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN THE EQUIPMENT WOULD PROBABLY ACCOMPANY IT, BUT NO MENTION WAS MADE OF ANY NUMBERS AND WALKER VOLUNTEERED HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW LONG THESE PERSONNEL MIGHT STAY. WALKER HAD NO NEWS ON THE 150 ADDITIONAL TROOPS MENTIONED REFTEL AS POSSIBLE SECOND PHASE.

3. COMMENT: WE CONSIDER TROOP REINFORCEMENT TO BE AN INEVITABLE SECOND STEP, BUT HAVE NO IDEA AS YET AS TO TIMING. KISSINGER

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